



San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee

City Hall, Room 408

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San Francisco, CA 94102

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT PROTECTED BIKE LANES ON ARGUELLO BETWEEN GOLDEN GATE PARK AND THE PRESIDIO AND ADDITIONAL SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS INTERSECTIONS**

December 12, 2022

**WHEREAS**, the City and County of San Francisco adopted a Transit-First Policy as stated in Section 8A.115 of the San Francisco Charter, which includes the principles that “decisions regarding the use of limited public street and sidewalk space shall encourage the use of public rights of way by pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transit, and shall strive to reduce traffic and improve public health and safety” and that “bicycling shall be promoted by encouraging safe streets for riding, convenient access to transit, bicycle lanes, and secure bicycle parking;” and,

**WHEREAS**, at the time of this writing 30 people have died on San Francisco streets in 2022 due to traffic violence, with only two more years to reach Vision Zero (zero traffic fatalities and injuries) as laid out in the original 2014 plan; and,

**WHEREAS**, on November 17, 2022, a 16-year old on a bicycle was struck by a driver in a car on Arguello and California and, at the time of this writing, remains in critical condition; and,

**WHEREAS**, TransBASE data indicates 79 collisions have occurred between 2017 and the present on Arguello Boulevard, with 54.4 percent involving bicyclists and/or pedestrians; and,

**WHEREAS**, TransBASE data indicates 484 collisions have occurred between 2017 and the present on California Street, with 33.8 percent involving bicyclists and/or pedestrians; and,

**WHEREAS**, SFMTA automated counter data from July 2018 to the present indicates approximately 150 to 200 bicyclists use Arguello Boulevard daily, with a high of 211 in May 2020; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City and County of San Francisco adopted Vision Zero as a policy in 2014, committing to build better and safer streets, educate the public on traffic safety, enforce traffic laws, and adopt policy changes that save lives; and,

**WHEREAS**, the San Francisco Vision Zero Core Principles include safe streets: “Human error is inevitable and unpredictable; we should design the transportation system to anticipate error so the consequence is not severe injury or death. Transportation and land use development policies, standards, programs, and design decisions should prioritize preserving lives;” and the San Francisco Vision Zero Complementary Goals include mode shift: “The city will shift 80% of trips to sustainable travel choices by 2030. More people walking and biking on safe streets in San Francisco—getting health benefits from physical activity, cleaner air, and less traffic noise—helps makes it safer for everyone on every street;” and,



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**WHEREAS**, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors declared a state of emergency regarding pedestrian and cyclist fatalities on November 5, 2019, and given motor vehicles are top source of death for people ages 3 to 25 statewide; and,

**WHEREAS**, TransBASE data indicates 18 fatal collisions have occurred between 2017 and the present in Supervisor Districts 1 and 2, with 13 of these collisions killing bicyclist(s) and/or pedestrian(s); and,

**WHEREAS**, one week after a 30-year old bicyclist was killed after being struck by a driver on Folsom Street in March of 2019, a protected bike lane was built and completed on Folsom Street; and, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, the San Francisco Bicycle Advisory Committee (SFBAC) advocates for a protected bike lane on both sides of Arguello Boulevard.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the SFBAC advocates for increased safety improvements at intersections including, but not limited to, no turn on red lights at intersections on Arguello and all cross streets, bike boxes at all intersections with stoplights, additional pedestrian safety infrastructure at crosswalks, bollards at dangerous intersections to prevent illegal left turns, and leading pedestrian intervals at every intersection on Arguello and all cross streets.

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
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